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AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

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SUBJECT: MARCOS PRESS COMMENTS ON CHINA POLICY

1. IN POST REFERENDUM PRESS CONFERENCE MARCH 1, PRESIDENT MARCOS MADE FOLLOWING POINTS REGARDING IMPENDING NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS WITH PEKING:

A. PRESIDENT SAID DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WOULD BE OPENED LATER THIS YEAR AND THAT IN THIS CONNECTION HE WOULD PROBABLY TRAVEL TO CHINA AT INVITATION OF PRC LEADERS "WHEN THE WEATHER GETS WARMER," WHICH ONE NEWSPAPER INTERPRETING TO MEAN "MAY OR JUNE" AND ANOTHER RECKONS AS ANYTIME BETWEEN MARCH AND SEPTEMBER.

B. PRESIDENT REAFFIRMED POLICY OF SIMULTANEOUS NORMALI-  
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ZATION WITH USSR. ACCORDING TO PRESS HE IMPLIED DIPLOMATIC

TIES WOULD BE PRECEDED BY FURTHER TRADE TALKS.

C. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON TAIWAN, PRESIDENT ACKNOWLEDGED THAT "BY ANY FORMULA" OF NORMALIZATION PRC WOULD REQUIRE SEVERING OF TIES WITH TAIPEI.

D. REGARDING LOCAL OVERSEAS CHINESE ALIENS, PRESIDENT SAID SITUATION "NOW UNDER STUDY" BY DEPARTMENTS OF JUSTICE, IMMIGRATION AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS WITH AIM OF PRODUCING "A GENERAL NATURALIZATION LAW" OR "SUMMARY PROCESS" WHICH WOULD ADMIT THEM TO CITIZENSHIP WITHOUT PRESENT "TEDIOUS PROCESS OF NATURALIZATION."

2. COMMENT. THERE IS NOTHING NEW OR NOT ALREADY WELL-KNOWN IN THESE COMMENTS, WHICH GOT WIDE PLAY IN MANILA PRES, ALTHOUGH PRESIDENT HAS NOT RECENTLY DRAWN PUBLIC NOTICE TO FACT THAT SEVERANCE OF FORMAL TIES WITH TAIWAN WILL BE PART OF PRICE OF NORMALIZATION WITH PRC. LATEST REPORT AVAILABLE TO EMBASSY INDICATED HIS PEKING TRIP WOULD BE IN SEPTEMBER.  
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